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In re Application of:

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For: DNA SEQUENCE OF THE LTR

REGION OF HUMAN IMMUNO-DEFICIENCY VIRUS TYPE 1

(HIV-1) (as amended)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents, other than those cited by the Examiner, were previously submitted in prior application Serial No. 07/158,652, filed February 22, 1988, and Serial No. 06/771,248, filed August 30, 1985, upon which applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120. Additional copies of the cited documents are filed herewith, for the Examiner's convenience. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner

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consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration of relevant portions thereof by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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